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Cosnino Structure Fire Loss Estimated at \$575,000

CORRECTION

Flagstaff, AZ – On July 23, 2006 at approximately 1152 AM Coconino County Sheriff's Deputies and Engine Companies of the Summit Fire Department responded to a report of a fire in the bedroom of a residence located at 5241 N. Cosnino Road. Summit Fire Fighters determined that the bottom floor of the residence was on fire. The flames quickly spread through the residence, resulting in heat and smoke damage to the entire structure. Fire damage was primarily contained to the downstairs rooms and kitchen area. However due to extensive heat damage through out the house, Summit Fire estimated a total loss of the residence. The total value of the residence is estimated to be \$575,000.

According to the home owner, an 18 month old child was placed in the room where the fire originated, for a nap, approximately 10-15 minutes before the ignition. Investigators are considering the possibility the fire was caused by a lit candle that was placed in the room. The infant was rescued from the bedroom by his grandfather after a smoke detector alerted him. According to the home owner he observed the east wall of the bedroom covered with fire and smoke at shoulder level.

A Flagstaff Fire Department Investigator is conducting an inquiry to determine the definite cause of the fire.

No injuries to residents or fire fighters were reported.



